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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 7, 2005, please consider the remarks as submitted herewith on the accompanying pages.

REMARKS

Claims 12-43 are all the claims pending in the application.

I. Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 103

The Examiner has rejected claims 12-43 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Anderson et al. (US 1,676,975) ["Anderson"]. For at least the following reasons, Applicant traverses the rejection.

Anderson discloses a golf ball box with a flap that can be used for advertising or to explain the novelty of the box (page 1, lines 53-55). The novelty of the box is that the flap has a cutout that can be used as the hole when practicing putting (Figs. 1-3).